# <u>Department of Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes</u>

# August 7, 2019 at 8:15am

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 am.

## The following members were present

Mark Ratterman, Tim Kaufmann, Randy Parham, and Brent Suffian

# Staff present

Anne Lamitola; Director of Public Works, Scot Bollinger; Public Works Superintendent, Councilman Patrick Hensley, Councilman John Fox, Mayor Nancy Spewak and Lori Wrobel; Administrative Assistant.

# Adoption of the Agenda

Mr. Ratterman asked for a motion to approve the agenda; Mr. Kaufmann made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Suffian. All present were in favor.

# Approval of meeting minutes

Mr. Ratterman asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 5, 2019; Mr. Suffian made a motion to approve to minutes, seconded by Mr. Parham. All present were in favor.

# <u>Update of Current Public Works Projects, Initiatives and associated committees</u>

Ms. Lamitola went over updates for the storm Water Master Plan, BOSTA initiatives, sidewalk and resurfacing projects and the status of the Facility needs assessment.

#### Conway/Warson Traffic Study

The City hired CBB to conduct a traffic study of the intersection Of Conway Rd. and Warson Rd. as well as the Warson Road corridor. On March 12, 2019 a Public meeting was held to obtain public input about concerns. CBB has analyzed six options for the intersection of Conway and Warson and prepared an alternatives matrix. Draft aerials of the concepts will be available at the Public Works Committee for review. The alternatives were presented to the public at a meeting held on July 18, 2019. Four alternatives were presented which include a traditional round-a-bout, a mini round-a-bout, a traffic signal without establishment of dedicated turn lanes, and a traffic signal with the establishment of dedicated turn lanes. Layouts of these four options, along with the Alternatives Matrix, and the summary of the traffic counts were included in the packet for review. Input from the Public Works Committee is requested after review and discussion on the alternatives.

The options for the intersection at Conway and Warson were discussed. After detailed discussion of options, Mr. Suffian made a motion to signalize the intersection, seconded by Mr. Parham. All those present voted in favor. After the final report is provided to the City, the options will be presented to the residents immediately adjacent to the intersection in order to determine whether it is feasible to add left-turn lanes in conjunction with the addition of the signal.

#### Sidewalk Implementation Plan

In 2011 and 2012, the City developed a sidewalk implementation plan. Most of the public roads were studied for the potential addition of sidewalks. Replacing sidewalks on Price Rd. and the addition of sidewalks on Litzsinger Rd. between McKnight Rd. and Overbrook Dr., McKnight Rd. between Clayton Rd. and Ladue Rd., Conway Rd. west of Daryl Ln., Ladue Rd. between Lindbergh Blvd. and Price Rd., Warson Rd. north of Ladue Rd., Lay Rd. between Clayton Rd. and McKnight Rd., and Dielman Rd. north of Ladue Rd. Since 2012 when the plan was presented to City Council, all the sidewalks included in the plan have been completed except for Dielman Rd. and portions of Ladue Rd. In 2019, the City successfully applied

for and obtained funding for Dielman Rd. After the completion of Dielman Rd. only Ladue Rd. between Price Rd. & Warson Rd. as well as west of Salem Estates Dr. will remain.

Requests for the addition of sidewalks are submitted periodically to the City. The 2011/2012 Citywide sidewalk study did not include the addition of sidewalks on Warson Rd. south of Clayton Rd., on Old Warson Rd., on Litzsinger Rd. west of Overbrook Dr., or on Woodlawn Ave. as part of the implementation plan. The evaluation plan noted the housing density as being much lower along those routes with zoning of A or B residential and not able to generate as much need for a sidewalk network. Now that the City has most of the routes recommended in the implementation plan, the City could choose to review the plan and revisit whether sidewalks for these routes may now be appropriate. Federal funding is available, however not for maintenance. Ms. Lamitola stated that funds have been included in the Road and Bridge fund to update the sidewalk study in 2020 and that an evaluation of bicycle facilities may also be part of that update.

# Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

The Comprehensive Plan was discussed. Mayor Spewak would like to consider the input of the residents regarding the Comprehensive plan. A survey covering a broad range will give guidance for City projects such as adding sidewalks and biking availability through the City.

Mayor Spewak brought up the need for a fund to accept donations to be used for beautification projects within the City. Projects would be at the discretion of the Council and provide an avenue for residents to donate with sponsorship. Mr. Parham made a motion to recommend to the Council the Committee's support of a general fund for the discretion of the Council supporting City sponsored beautification projects. Mr. Kaufmann seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

#### **Upcoming Meetings:**

The remaining 2019 PWC meeting dates are October 2 and December 4, 2019 at 8:15

Mr. Kaufmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Parham seconded the motion. All present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 9:23 am.

Sincerely,

Mark Ratterman
Department of Public Works Committee